

RODERIQUE POND
T2 R1, Somerset Co.
U.S.G.S. Brassua Lake, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)

Physical Characteristics

Area - 44 acres

Temperatures

Surface - 64° F.

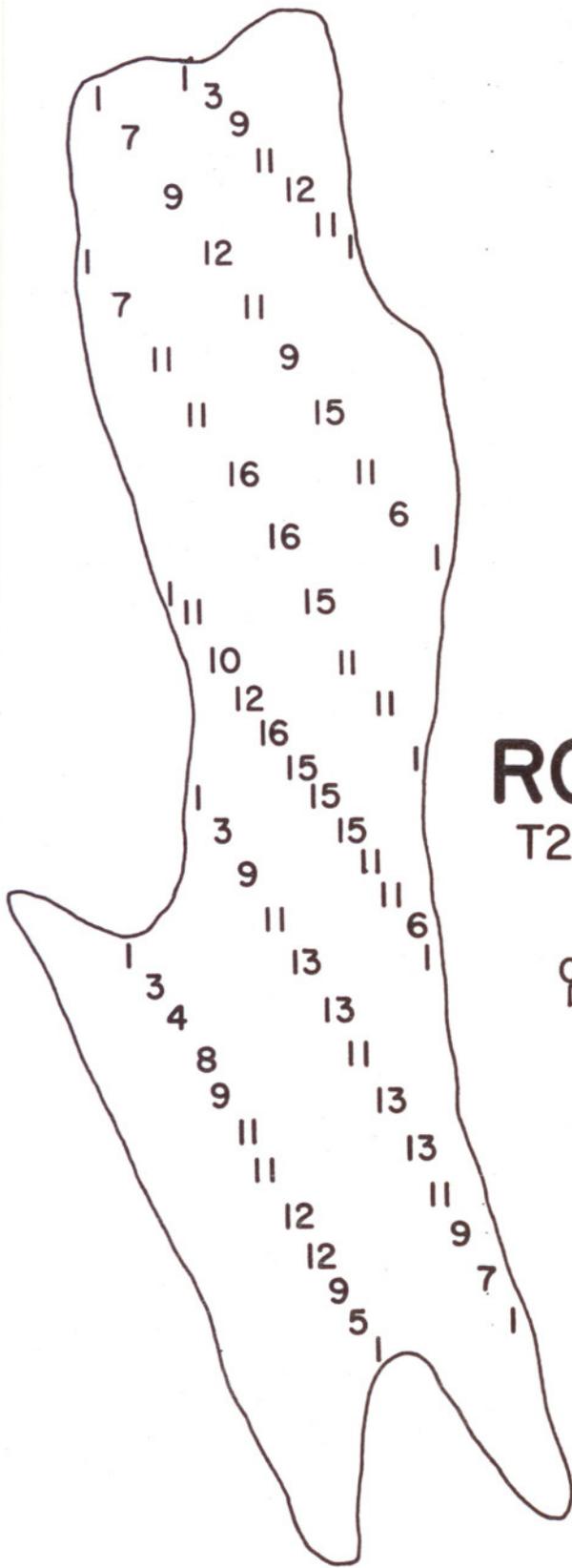
Maximum depth - 16 feet

14 feet - 64° F.

Roderique Pond is separated from Brassua Lake by a narrow horseback. This small trout pond is surrounded by mixed coniferous growth. The south end of the pond is shallow, and the shoreline is a floating mat of bog plants. Access is by a 7-mile boat trip across Brassua Lake or by a 1¼-mile trail from the Scott Paper Company's Brassua Stream Road.

The pond is homothermous, but probably has cool areas where trout can stay during the hot weather. There is sufficient oxygen for trout at all depths. The trout have no competition from other species, and conditions for survival and growth are excellent. Since there are no tributaries or outlet, trout spawning is limited to spring seepage areas. There is some gravel at the southeast end of the pond.

The regulation prohibiting the use or possession of live fish as bait should be adopted to prevent the introduction of other species. Stocking of hatchery trout may be necessary to maintain a good fishery.



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